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"I think I'm going to need a bigger Rug!"

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[AUTHOR: PATRICIA GROVES]

It became clear recently that many people who work and study in 200 King St. E. are justifiably angry and frustrated about the state of the building.

Despite the best efforts of many staff during this period of rapid change in the building, the college has not provided, in some cases, some of the basic necessities for the educational process, including:

- a comfortable temperature and adequate ventilation in all rooms;
- classrooms which are consistently large enough for classes assigned to those rooms, with enough seating for all students and adequate teaching supplies;
- an adequate state of general campus cleanliness, including properly cleaned and supplied washrooms;
- a class schedule free of errors.

The aggravation caused by these conditions has obviously been compounded by a lack of reliable information concerning the origin of these problems and any plans for their ultimate resolution.

On behalf of President John Rankin and the college management committee, I wish to express our deep regret that these problems have occurred and pledge that we will eliminate them as soon as possible.

Over the last few days we have made it our business to get to the bottom of each identified problem to, one; understand how it happened, and, two; seek the fastest possible resolution.

Here is what we have found out:

VENTILATION AND AIR QUALITY

The Problem: Many staff and students have reported uncomfortably high temperatures in some rooms, inadequate ventilation, dust and smells. Some are concerned that the air may be unsafe as a result of ongoing construction work within the building.

Here's what we're doing:

- Defective parts in a newly installed \$1.3 million air handling system, which broke down last week, were replaced on Friday, Oct. 22, and the new system was tested over the past weekend to ensure that it is now functioning properly.

- The college's older air handling units, which have been operating inefficiently because of inadequate maintenance, will be cleaned and serviced in the next week to bring our total ventilation system to its highest possible output.

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William J. Windrem

Well there sports fans, it is extremely redundant, but it has to be said, "How 'bout them Leafs and Jays!" it makes you proud to be a Canadian. Everyone should be proud of what they are and hopefully most of you are. Right now the world is going through many changes and in mentioning that we as Canadians must keep an open eye to make sure that our great country doesn't fall apart because of a lack of faith. Just think a minute about one thing, when asked "What are you?", do you respond I'm Canadian our do you reply as to what your heritage is. If you don't reply "I'm Canadian" you should start. In order to keep our country great everyone should take part in recognizing what they are not what they were. In closing, I hope everyone voted, and by the way there is only 54 shopping days until Christmas for those who celebrate. Chowder!



Musings of a Mature Student
by Wanda Cousins

Ever since November 11 has been designated as Remembrance Day, people the world over have stood at Memorials and remembered those who valiantly gave their lives for the good of their countries.

This month I would like to focus everyone's attention on what the women behind those men did while the men were away fighting. These women were the reason the men were so successful.

Every factory, warehouse, office, and store were, for the most part, run by women. Women were employed in munitions factories, building airplanes, ammunition, tanks and whatever else was needed for the war effort.

Women were instrumental in running the farms, and did everything from planting, hoeing, weeding and harvesting. The women

also essentially began the recycling program, because everything right down to the drippings of grease from bacon was very valuable, even old rubber, worn out pots and pans and clothing.

So this month on November 11, please remember the women of the world to whom we owe a great deal.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:

TO WORRY IS LIKE A ROCKING HORSE: IT KEEPS YOU BUSY BUT GETS YOU NOWHERE. (RENEE)
BYE FOR NOW

Homophobia by Clare McElroy Counselling

SAC's Sexual awareness week would be incomplete if the issue of homophobia was not addressed.

"Phobia" is the illogical and irrational fear of something or someone. Homophobia is an illogical and intense fear of same sex relationships. It, often results in hate and irrational, extreme rage, even violence against

lesbians and gay men.

homophobia is persuasive throughout cultures, and it is a fear that must be countered. Homophobia is kept alive by myths and stereotypes of lesbians and gay men. Some people cling to their homophobia because of fear of the unknown. Often they become overly defensive, possibly they are trying to cover up their own homosexual feelings, or thoughts. Some homophobic individuals fear that gays are undermining the traditional fabric of our society, the nuclear family.

The results of being homophobic are various. People are afraid to show affection to the members of the family of the same sex. People are hesitant or afraid to exhibit behavior or characteristics other than the traditional sex roles stereotypes for fear of being labeled gay. Unfortunately, Some of gays internalize societal stereotypes about gays and learn to hate themselves and all gays. Of significance, Many gays experience aggressive and violent acts by homophobic individuals.

If you are interested in working to safeguard the right of gays and lesbians by combating homophobia, join the G.B.C. committee against homophobia by contacting Clare McElroy, 867-2374 or become part of the G.B.C. lesbian, gay men and bisexual student alliance.



Student Life with
Franky Chernin

Thank you to all those who volunteered at the Peer Tutoring Casino Night. While we didn't quite get the number of students out we had hoped for, those who did join us had a terrific time. We did however have a great deal of staff support and thank the members of the Management Committee, all of whom came out to support the event, and especially John Rankin, who served as one of our Black Jack dealers. Our next major event is the Valentines Raffle to support the Student Emergency Fund. We will start planning this month. If you are interested in being on the

committee, please contact Franky at 867-2674, Rm. 126,200 King St E.

We are also moving forward in our efforts to establish an International Student Network. A meeting was held on October 4 with representatives from the Advisory Committee and the Business and Hospitality Divisions, where most of our International Students are enrolled. You may now be feeling the pressure of assignments due, exams, the stresses of family and/or social life and part time jobs, you are perhaps wondering if coming to college was such a good idea after all. I would like to offer a few thoughts which might help.


"There is no doubt about it, suffering will continue to present itself in our lives whatever course we choose to follow. If we can't always be in control of what reality brings, if we can't govern what our feelings are in response to what reality brings, we can, nevertheless, take active control of what we do in response to what

reality brings. There lies our freedom...taking charge of what I do frees me from being the puppet of circumstances or the pawn of my feelings." Even in summer the ice doesn't melt, David K. Reynolds

"When you don't do anything to change what is happening, when you just sit in the pressure cooker with the burner turned up high, when you don't build or learn or move or oppose or educate or otherwise respond to your circumstance, you are in for trouble."

"The reality of the past cannot be changed...We change only by changing the now." Constructive Living, David K. Reynolds
Don't wait, if you are having difficulties, speak with one of your professors, your program coordinator, or a counsellor.

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S.E.C.

Chairman

Timothy J. Kemp

When people come to see us in the SAC office, they are curious as to what exactly we do. Do we just run pubs, publish a newspaper and mess-up photo-id? Well actually no. We spend a lot of our time representing you. Many of us sit on college committees and provide student input on issues that affect all of us. So in this monthly column I will attempt to explain to you what we are doing for you.

As SEC chair I am usually the one who is asked to attend most meeting. Some of the committees that I am on now are;

College Council:

This is a legislated body that is made up by all the constituents of the college. As students we hold 5 votes on the council, one from each of the three student councils, one from night school students and one from the mature student group. This body advises

the President of the College directly.

Association Of Canadian Community Colleges:

This is an organisation that is made up of all the colleges across Canada. Each region has representation from each of the college constituents. I am the student Rep. for Ontario. This group lobbies the government for changes in the educational system.

Student Retention Committee:

This committee was created to address the problem of the high number of students who leave the college in the first semester of their program.

Along with these committees, we are asked to represent you at any meetings or functions that concern student issues.

Next month I will give a report on what has happened in these committees.

We are always looking for help when it comes to attending these committees. If you feel that you can afford the time and want to get involved, come down to the SAC office and leave your name and we will make sure that you can join any committees that might need students.



SAC PRESIDENT

ST. JAMES

Shaun Hudson

Belated greetings all !!! Whew !! Talk about your rocky starts, I think the one we just went (are going) through is one for the books, what, with room and schedule changes, construction and strange goings on and not to mention questionable air supply. It was enough to challenge the patience of Job (literary reference) but, we made it (almost). Anyway, I should have written this article before now, but believe me, I'VE BEEN BUSY, however I will endeavor to make a regular monthly contribution to our own little Pravda. Where do I start ??? I guess I should begin with what we've been doing this summer. First off, its been a constant struggle just to replace what we had last year after it was destroyed (in the name of PROGRESS), the SAC shack, radio station, arcade, electronic signs, student lounge (formerly the cafeteria north end) all had to be rebuilt from scratch, in the case of the lounge it was a two day exercise in HELL to remove all the desks, chairs, tables ect. that were being stored in there, and take it by truck to Kensington, so that we would have the space for orientation, pubs, ect.. I know I will never forget it...ever. In spite of it all we managed to get most of these things back on line (or soon will) and to minimize the disruption in service. On a more idealistic plane we have set for ourselves, a group of goals and objectives for the next year, these are, 1) In cooperation with college administration, develop activities, procedures, policies to encourage and ensure representation for all students needs and interests. This we hoped to accomplish by events such

as Alcohol Awareness Week, Aids Awareness week, group tickets to sporting, cultural events, and more activities in the student lounge such as movies, games day. To develop with the Student Life Advisory Committee a proposal for formal representation for all GBC students. 2) To work with college community in developing and implementing programs to enhance cultural diversity awareness. To achieve this, we plan to hold a Sexual Awareness Week in November and to sponsor a multicultural week in January. 3) To encourage interaction/ communication between students and staff and support activities that promote "belonging" to the GBC community. To work toward these goals we intend to increase student involvement by promoting club membership, to involve SAC Reps in a more productive manner, to work with physical resources to implement the communication plan, to utilize electronic boards/ bulletin boards more effectively, to increase the profile of the radio station and make better use of it. 4) To increase SAC revenue to provide enhanced services to students. to this end we have moved the arcade and redesigned and set new goals for the SAC shack. In addition to this we managed to plan a few events that some of you may have heard of (or actually went to), if that sounds a little sarcastic, well....., when I see that much effort and time put into events that very few participate in, I really must question what is going on? What do you want us to provide you in the way of recreation, services ect.??? I value your input, after all, this is what the student council is for, to provide student centered services and recreational activities for you to enjoy. YOUR INPUT IS NECESSARY, so that we may respond to what you want. Anyway, try to get out to a pub or hear a guest speaker, GET INVOLVED.

Information

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LIBRARY HOURS ARE !CHANGING!

Libraries at the campuses of St. James & Casa Loma will experience an hour change for Friday's and Saturday's effective October 22/93.

Friday hours will now be
10 am - 4 pm for St. James
8 am - 2 pm for Casa Loma

Saturday hours will be
10 am - 3 pm for both St. James
and Casa Loma.

Monday to Thursday
hours will remain the same at either campus.

These hour revisions will remain in effect until
December 11/93 and will recommence January 15/94
until March 26/94.

LIBRARY HOURS ARE !CHANGING!

LUNCH TIME MOVIES
EVERY WEDNESDAY IN THE CASA
LOMA STUDENT LOUNGE

More

Lois Athanasiu Counselor, Student Services

The Word "rape" conjures up an image of a knife-wielding stranger dragging a woman off into the bushes to commit a violent act. reality, most rapes are committed by acquaintances and involve coercion rather than outright violence.

How prevalent is sexual assault on campuses? (Sexual assault is any unwanted act for a sexual nature. It can range from unwanted touching and fondling or to attempt or actual forced intercourse—rape). Studies indicate that between 1 in 6 to 1 in 8 women will be sexually assaulted while attending college or university. These figures are probably very conservative because date or acquaintance rape is the most under-reported form of sexual assault. Less than one percent of all women report date rape to the authorities for reasons such as fear and shame and concern about being re-victimized by the police and courts.

According to a 1988 survey of American college and university students, 1 in

4 women surveyed were victims of rape and 1 in 12 of the male students surveyed had committed rape attempted rape. Yet 84 of the men who had committed rape said that what they did was definitely not rape. Partly because of the extreme circumstance that most people associate with rape. Even women whose themselves as rape victims. They still suffer the effects, such as long-term fear and depression, sexually assaulted women, 30 percent contemplate suicide and 1 in 6 suffers a nervous breakdown.

Why do men not recognize when they are committing sexual assault? Aggression towards women has become normalized. In general, men relationships with women. In the sexual sphere, many men believe and act on the myth that women always resist sex and want to be convinced. "No" is interpreted as playing hard to get. Also, a woman communicates "no" in variety of verbal and non-verbal ways, such as pushing her partner away, saying "I'm not ready" or "I want to go home". A woman communicates "no" in any way, and the man continues to used arguments and

pressure her to give in, he is committing sexual assault. The fact that she submits without a reacting to the fear of violence if she doesn't cooperate. He needs to learn to listen to his partner and respect her choices.

Given the extent and seriousness of the problem of date and acquaintance rape, the college will make informative literature and educational sessions available, for example during Sexual Awareness Week, Nov. 8 - 12. I will be conducting pilot workshops with Ron Sluser, a professor in the Human Services counselor program and one of the founders of the White Ribbon Campaign to end men's violence against women. Counseling related to sexual assault issues and referral to community resources is available through the counseling offices run by Student Services.

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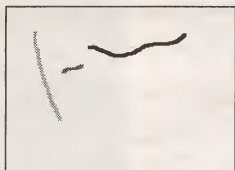
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Timothy J. Kemp
Women's Centre

October 18th is a crucial day in women's history: It was on this day in 1929 that a British Court of Appeal finally ruled that the word "persons" in the BNA Act applied to women as well as to men. It seems entirely fitting that it was on October 18th of this year that George Brown College Casa Loma Campus opened its Women's Resource Centre in room C211, across from the elevator.

The purpose of the Women's Resource Centre is to continue the movement begun back in 1929: that is, to ensure that women are given every opportunity to enjoy their status as people by providing women and men with information on all aspects of a woman's life: career, occupation, finances, relationships, and sex. A number of special events will take place to celebrate this opening—for further information, speak to Claire in the Counselling Office.



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and it may show at the National Gallery



\$7.00

and she's showing at the Shaw Festival

ART is where you can find it!

While we know that it's silly to compare two distinctly different art forms, it's good to do a little comparison shopping. Even when it comes to art. ANN BAGGLEY, in the photo above, is a member of George Brown's class of '89. She has had leading roles at the Shaw Festival, the Stratford Festival, Citadel Theatre and Canadian Stage Co. among others. Back in '89, you could have witnessed Ann's performances for the price of a couple of jars of brew at CAMP ZU. Here's the bad news. You missed your chance. To see Ann now you would have to pay a whole lot more. Now for the real good news. Ann's isn't the only story out of the Theatre School at GBC. At seven bucks a pop, you can see plenty more. The painting? Once we have an agent, we expect to get the 3 mill. Minimum.

November 24 - December 12 — George Brown Theatre, 530 King St. E.

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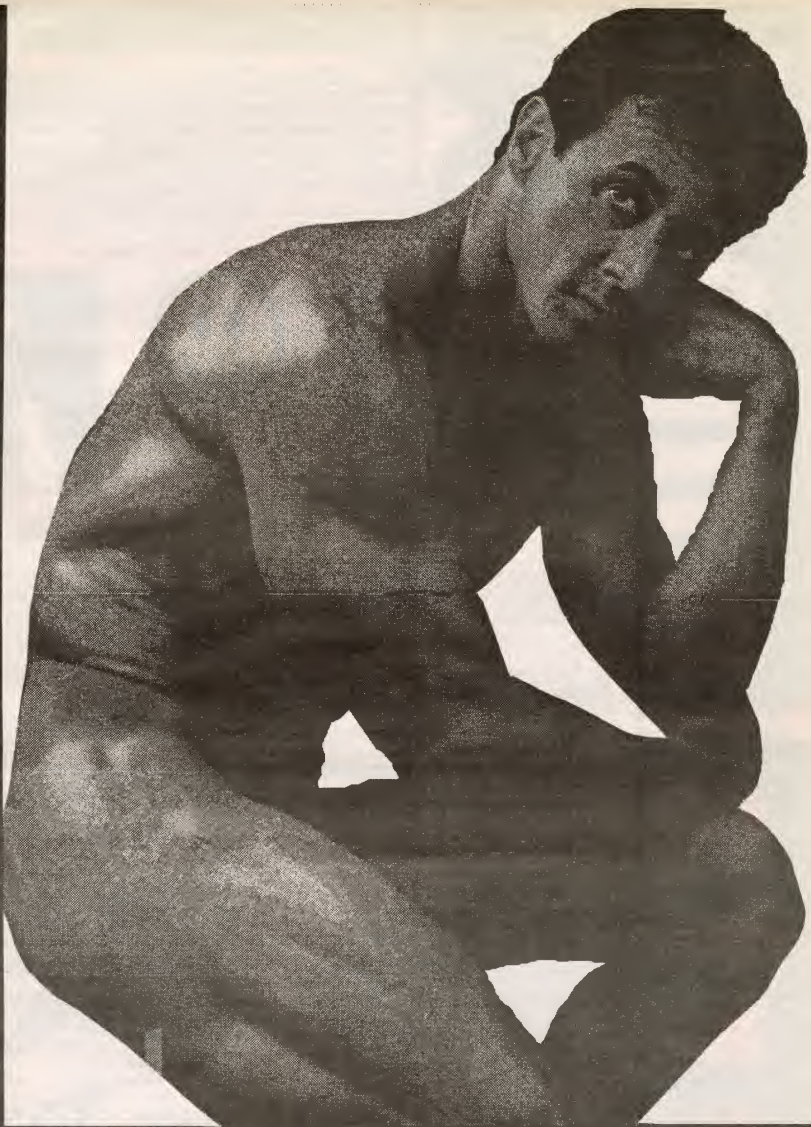
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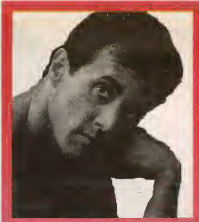
Demolition Man Review

Dazed and Confused

Anthony Wolch, Jamaica

Events Calender and much more..

Entertainment



Demolition Man



Mila Jovanovich

The producer of *Demolition Man*, Joel Silver, has called this film a "cartoon," and I can't think of any statement that could more accurately describe this mega-budget futuristic Hollywood movie. Though the good guy vs. bad guy premise is expanded on with somewhat Orwellian overtones, the constant violence becomes numbing and rather tiring in both of the years during which the film takes place: first in 1996, then in 2032.

The underlying theme of the film is that the most powerful man in society is also the most diabolical. Mayor Cocteau (Nigel Hawthorne) is the creator of this new, supposedly evolved 21st Century society, free of violence, sugar, salt, and sex. Simon Phoenix (Wesley Snipes) has experienced cryo-rehabilitation while imprisoned, and once released, these skills help him to try and take over society, killing even Cocteau, the man who desires to use Phoenix's powers to help him gain more power. An exceptionally bright police woman, Lenina Huxley (Sandra Bullock), a student of the 20th Century, remembers John Spartan (Sylvester Stallone), the cop who was responsible for Phoenix's arrest in 1996.

While this society seems progressive, the true freedom fighters and those desiring free speech live underground in the former subways. Edgar Friendly is the leader of these people, and he is portrayed rather authentically by Denis Leary. The group which he leads, albeit unintentionally, is probably the only subculture which human beings of the present 20th Century can relate to.

While it seems that the future does not hold strongly for those favouring freedom of speech and lifestyle (not to mention the lack of choice in restaurants to dine in - only Taco Bell survives the fast food wars), it also does not bode well for society when films made to resemble "cartoons" in both content and characterization become number one movies at the box office.



Rory Cochrane

Imagine going back in time - seventeen years to be exact - to revisit, recapture, and realize the teen culture that was in 1976. The drugs, the fashion, the music, the cars... but most of all those crazy friends you had in high school. Chances are you'd be considerably surprised by the naiveté, the mellowness, and above all the innocence of the decade. The most depressing realization comes with the fact that there was a belief that things could only get better.

Richard Linklater has written, directed and produced a film that transports you back to the '70s: an era that few would have ever guessed would be remembered voluntarily twenty years later in popular culture or in film, as it is in *Dazed and Confused*. Linklater has not missed a detail: from attitudes to recreational activities, he presents a time when coming of age did not include the risk of contracting Aids through sexual contact or drug use, nor was M.A.D.D. in existence.

The story of the film loosely follows the lives of Randy "Pink" Floyd (Jason London), a junior in high school in 1976, and a freshman entering the same school, Mitch Kramer (Wiley Wiggins). Each suffers their own personal problems in high school, and though they are apart in age, their respective focus centres on school, peer acceptance, and females.

What sets the mood and time of the film more than the acting, the clothes, or the '70s' style cinematography, is the musical soundtrack. Aerosmith opens the film with "Sweet Emotion" and Alice Cooper's "School's Out" follows. Tunes by Deep Purple, Black Sabbath, Black Oak Arkansas, Edgar Winter, Peter Frampton, Nazareth, Bob Dylan, the Runaways and Thin Lizzy are all used as background track that many will undoubtedly recall from their teenage years or younger. Since the music of the '70s has experienced such a strong revival in the past few years, the soundtrack to the film is a stellar compilation for any musical collection.

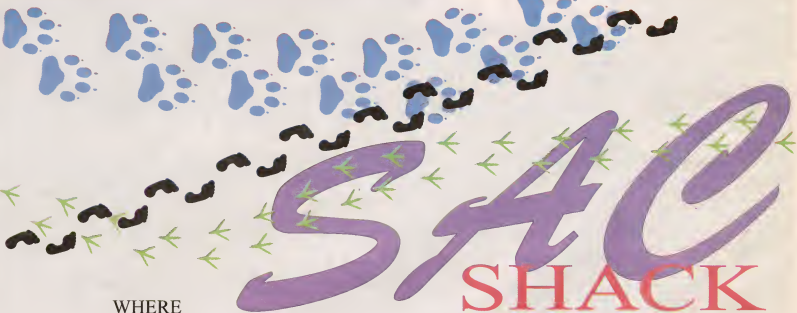
Though most of the cast are newcomers, their performances are incredibly convincing. Most of the time they look and act just like people you knew in high school. The neorealist feel of the film resists becoming boring and predictable. Rather, it works to rouse hilarity in the stereotypical characters such as the stoner, Slater (Rory Cochrane), the jock, Don (Sasha Jenson), the egghead, Tony (Anthony Rapp), the neurotic, Mike (Adam Goldberg), the drop-out, Wooderson (Matthew McConaughey), and the quirky and bookish girl, Cynthia (Marissa Ribisi). The choice of using actors that are not recognizable to most viewers was wise; their anonymity only serves their purpose better. Using a cast with familiar faces would only distract from the idea of the film portraying North American teens in their everyday, bored states in an oppressive and frustrating society. There are no real "stars" in the film; though each character brings an honesty and reality to his/her role that will probably make many of them talents to be dealt with in future films, much like Coppola's *The Outsiders* did for his cast.

What I personally left the theatre considering was the luxuries of time, money, and opportunities, that the '70s generation were fortunate enough to inherit. Teenagers regularly drove souped-up, custom painted American cars such as Chevrolets and Chryslers. No one thought about jobs, except for a nerdy intellectual, who decides that he does not want to become a lawyer and represent people he realizes he dislikes. One drop-out who has entered the work-force even considers returning to high school. Not to graduate, upgrade, or otherwise improve his education and career, but simply to be around the girls. Teenagers smoked pot and drank beer to over-indulgent levels, and no one seemed the worse off for it, at the time. In short, it was a time of self-indulgence, comfort, freedom, and the economic stability to do whatever your thing was.

Sex was not nearly indulged in to the extent that might be expected. While one couple could clearly have partaken in sex, there was an innocence betrayed in their acceptance to kiss and hug one another. Not for lack of interest but simply because people were having a good enough time drinking and getting high, so that there didn't even seem to be time for anything else. Certainly there was no danger of contracting anything remotely as serious as Aids. Though drugs such as pot and acid and alcohol were accurately shown to play the major role that they do in teenagers' lives, the negative effects of these indulgences were not made note of; these were the '70s, after all.

Though many seniors were featured in the film, not one of them spoke of the future or of their concerns about it, if, in fact, they had any. Neither college nor the workforce was even hinted at by any of the teens. In fact, the only indication of a perception of their youth, envied by the world, is in a statement made by one of the film's main protagonists, Pink: "If these are the best years of my life, remind me to kill myself." This coming from the best-looking guy in the film, and the quarterback of the football team - the guy who has it all.

Ultimately, when faced with the choice of playing football at the cost of quitting his drug and alcohol habits, he fights back and chooses the hedonistic route. Preferring to stay with his stoner friends, he embarks upon a journey to buy tickets to see Aerosmith for the hottest concert of the summer. It seems that this last item is the only thing that hasn't changed twenty years later.



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FOR WARPED MINDS ONLY

By Ralph Hamelmann



MOSQUITOS RESPOND TO THE A.I.D.S. SCARE...

Horoscopes

by the mystical
Sam Lloyd**Aries (March 21 - April 20)**

You have an urge to go on a trip, which is a good idea since you need to find yourself. Maybe it's time to tell your companion they seem to lubby dubby.

Taurus (April 21 - May 21)

This month is good to get organized. You are feeling the squeeze. Don't give up yet, it will get better.

Gemini (May 22 - Jun 21)

You are good with money this month, but don't spend it too soon. The key is to save.

Cancer (June 22 - July 23)

This month is a little more relaxing than last. Take it easy, don't be too sociable. Spend time with your favourite person or they will get jealous of others.

Leo (July 24 - August 23)

You are a little selfish. Remember there are other people in this world besides you, so expect a rough ride socially.

Virgo

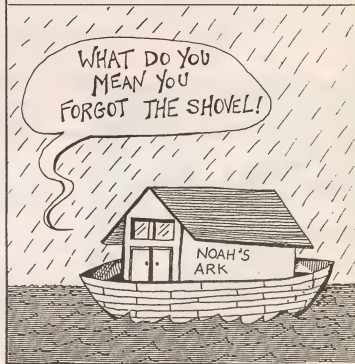
(August 24 - September 23) Be nice to people today and you will be rewarded. A new job opportunity arises. Follow your instincts.

Libra

(September 24 - October 23) Seek adventure, but make deci-

FOR WARPED MINDS ONLY

By Ralph Hamelmann



sions with caution. Opportunity is just around the corner. Don't hesitate to back out if you see failure.

Scorpio

(October 24 - November 22) You are great with children—lots of projects come your way and take skills of organization. You are healthy and fit that keeps you from feeling stressed.

Sagittarius

(November 23 - December 21) Being good with children seems to be speciality, lots of projects come your way that take skills of organization. You are healthy and fit that keeps you from feeling stressed.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 20)

Busy lifestyle this month with sports and friends. You are getting used to a new school that has brought many great experiences to explore.

Aquarius

(January 21 - February 19) You need to find out what is troubling you this month by spending time with yourself. Time to set realistic goals.

Pisces

(February 20 - March 20) Your companion has been away for awhile. You both need space - it's for the best. A new relationship blossoms.



Outward Bound
with
Anthony Wolch

Tripping Across Jamaica

In March of 1991, I had the pleasure of embarking on a pseudo-pilgrimage to the intriguing island of Jamaica. I travelled with my breathtakingly beautiful British girlfriend and together we shared a very intense experience, opening our eyes and minds to a world we had never known.

For 7 weeks we lived in the hills overlooking Montego Bay. Our home base was nestled in the suburb of Mount Salem. Our sweet pad belonged to the grandmother of a good friend. She was a most generous hostess, well accustomed to the habits of young

westerners. What follows are some random thoughts and feelings on life in vacationers' paradise.

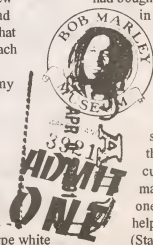
Negril, March 27, 1991

Fifteen days pass by in a gusting whirlwind of life, like a spool of thread tangled up in a courtyard. New, eye opening occurrences both excite and entice my every thought, my every movement... We play life size dot-10-dot on the laziest island known to man; from Montego Bay to Sandy Bay, up to Anchoy and some river smaller than my parents' sidewalk in Canada, further up to Cambridge moving slightly south and mostly west to Vacationers' Hedonism: Negril. So incredible the smells on the street; the smoking piles of meat, hot spices clinging to the hairs in one's nose and the constant sweet smell of ganja known to anyone in these parts. Reggae

music never stops, flooding the periphery with any smokers' perfect space target, blazing trails of laughter and cynicism along 7 miles of white velvet beaches and blessed baby blue bath water. So plenty are the varieties of people, faces and trees, paradise for the onlooker... paradise for me. Craziest fucking thing happened only a few days ago, a very sad thing, something that sickened my stomach and brought tears rolling dirt down my face as I knelt praying and questioning life at the foot of God's wildest creation; the mighty sea of the Caribbean.

We met this American Rasta type white fella whose name was Wayne. A very gentle, warm kinda guy who rolled up a big cone spliff

which we enjoyed together while sitting around the camp at Roots Bamboo Campground (our home for a week). Laughing aloud, chatting it up and taking it slow while coasting in the mid-day sun. He had been coming to Negril annually for 18 years now, fitting in perfectly with the island life, 'knowin' the running'. Twenty-four hours after our tropical introduction we unfortunately received some bad news. You see, Wayne had bought 6 acres of land up in Lucia and here in Jamaica things ain't what they seem sometimes... Wayne found out the hard way. Two men stalked him down in the dark of night and cut his head off with a machetti - how could one do it? "Won't you help to sing..." (Stay tuned for Part 2 of "Tripping Across Jamaica" in next month's edition.)



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•The temperature and amount of ventilation of every classroom will be monitored daily to ensure it is appropriate for that room's use. Where necessary, adjustments will be made in the week starting Oct. 25.

•If any room is unfit for use, the college will provide alternate space on or near St. James.

•Air quality will be tested in the week starting Oct. 25 to ensure that it meets all standards and poses no risk to the health of our staff and students.

•I will get a thorough report about the location of any asbestos insulation in the building and will either confirm that it poses no risk to the health of our staff and students or remedy the situation.

TIMETABLING

The problem: Concerns have been raised that some classrooms were being double-booked, and some classes have been assigned to rooms that were either far too small or far too large for the number of students. Staff have reported that their requests for particular types of rooms have not been met.

Here's what we're doing:

•A complete room inventory has been carried out to clearly determine the student capacity of each room, and any special features of that room.

•The number of desks and chairs in each room has been adjusted to match the seating capacity.

•A final post-secondary program timetable (printed in yellow or marked YELLOW) has been prepared by the Registrar and was distributed on Oct. 22.

•Staff of the Registrar's Department will monitor the success of this timetable and conduct a room audit for a week starting Oct. 26.

•If successful, we will use this final timetable for the winter semester starting in January, incorporating requested changes from divisions and departments.

CLEANLINESS

The problem: The general cleanliness of the campus is inadequate.

Washrooms are dirty and poorly supplied.

Here's what we are doing:

•The building will be given an immediate thorough cleaning to clear out as much

of the grime and debris from construction as possible.

•Contractors working in the building are being asked to ensure that they create as little dust and dirt as possible, and that they thoroughly clean up after they finish work each day.

•We are making individual members of our caretaking staff responsible for the cleaning of specific areas of the building starting Oct. 25.

•Washrooms are being given highest priority in cleaning duties.

CLASSROOM SUPPLIES

The problem: Classrooms are often without chalk or chalk erasers and teachers do not have whiteboard pens.

Here's what we're doing:

•Caretaking staff will stock each class with chalk and board erasers. These supplies will be checked and replenished on a regular basis.

•Teachers will be supplied with whiteboard pens by their divisional offices.

COMMUNICATIONS

The problem: Staff and student feel their complaints often fall into a "black hole" and do not elicit a response or a resolution of problems. They feel that there is a lack of reliable, timely information about building problems, and confusion over who is responsible for what.

Here's what we're doing:

•The college will soon announce the appointment of a person who will be responsible for collecting, documenting and resolving problems from staff and

students who use the building. You'll be advised as soon as the appointment is made and told how you can contact this person.

•I will continue to hold meetings with student and staff groups on the campus to seek a clearer understanding of the problems, and will follow up with those groups.

•We will communicate weekly with students and staff in order to follow up on the issues mentioned here, and report on new developments.

We are confident that the steps we will take in the next few days will go a long way to resolving the problems you've faced over the past few weeks. If they don't, we will continue to work together to solve them.

In concluding this communique, I want to thank you for your endurance and patience. Please call me directly at 944-4475 if any major concerns continue.

Do you believe in long distance relationships? No? Well, I didn't either until it happened to me. I believe strongly that absence makes the heart grow fonder. Yes, I was an absolute wreck when he left for first year. Now my boyfriend is in second year at Western and things are perfect. If you believe in something go for it. If you want something to work, walk that extra step. My boyfriend Roy and I have been together for two and a half years and we walked that extra step to make our relationship special. If you believe in something or someone follow your heart and go for it.

Kelly Grossner

Last May my uncle's brother, John*, died of Aids. He contracted it from his lover who had died from the disease a year earlier. His death was pretty devastating for his faculty and friends. Although I had not seen John since my Aunt and Uncle's wedding, it was still devastating to see someone I know die of Aids. The cruel reality of the virus really hits home.


This is why when asked to write for Dialog I decided to write about John, hoping it would encourage everyone to protect themselves.

The week of October 18 was Aids Awareness Week. S.A.C. hopes it was informative and helped you to understand the virus.

Please protect yourself from this very real virus.

Robin Gilbert

*names have been changed



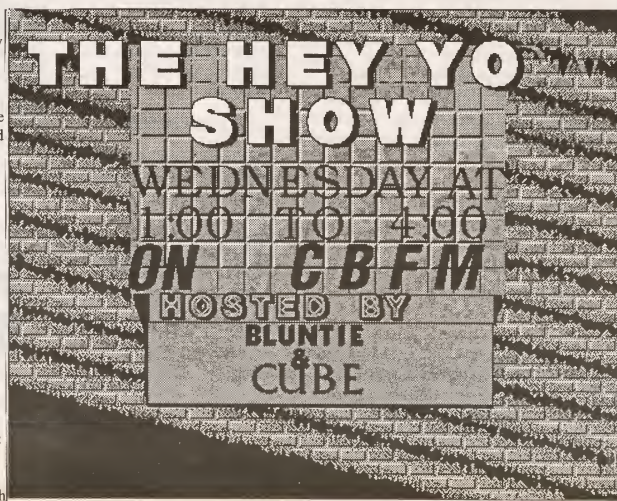
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CROSS COUNTRY TEAM: Will be travelling to S.S.Flemming in Peterborough for the Championships to be held Oct 23/93. G.B.C. will be led by Brian Lovshin, an Investment Sales student who has been training hard with the school team and the track club he belongs to. Here's wishing the team well.

TOUGH SEASON: On Oct.19th the Women's Soccer season ended. After 6 league games the team didn't finish with enough points to make the play-offs. There were some good individual performances, but overall the lack of experience did not allow us to be a contender. The coaching staff would like to thank all the players for their time and hard work.

SKI TEAM: The season doesn't officially begin until January, but the team is hard at work. Every Tuesday and Thursday they meet to do dry land training.

COACHING CHANGES: Long time Women's coach Willie Delas has moved over to the Men's Basketball team. Willie's assistant coach is former York University standout, Ron Hepburn.

APRIL McCLELLAN, has succeeded Willie as the Head Coach of the Women's Basketball program. She will be assisted by Debbie Grannum, an Alumnus and former All-Canadian while attending G.B.C. April achieved success as a player, for the University of Toronto. There is no reason for that trend not to continue in the coaching ranks.

MEN'S VOLLEYBALL: Is now in the hands of **KEN MACDONALD.** Ken has a great deal of experience coaching at the Regional and Provincial levels. Ken says he's looking forward to the challenges of coaching at the College level.

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MEN'S SOCCER

VARSITY CONT....

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NELCIA PAVAO
WOMEN'S SOCCER

THIS AND THAT:

G.B.C.Men's Soccer Team was voted **Team Of The Week** Oct.4-10 Everton Allen leads G.B.C. men's soccer team in scoring with 5 goals in 7 matches. **Trudy Nofalt** is the leader for the women's team with 3 goals in 5 matches. **Brian Lovinshin** finished the Toronto half Marathon 65th overall in a field of about 3000 runners.

ATHLETES OF THE MONTH

Men's Soccer
Luis DeJesus: is a 1st year Information Systems student, who's overall play has contributed to the success of the team.

Women's Soccer
Krista Wilson: a 3rd year Graphic Design student who's steady play and dedication has earned her this months honours.

Congratulations

INTRAMURALS

Casa Loma team of the month are the Ball Hockey champions the **Hab-Nots**. They're also in the volleyball finals.

St.James teams of the month are **5B** and **Sports Marketing** both teams are finalists in Volleyball.

TABLE TENNIS:

Kensington Campus held its annual Table Tennis Tournament. **Joe Leung** emerged victorious over the 9 other competitors in the triple elimination format. **Thao Nguyen** lost in the finals. **Jake Noh** was the Consolation Champ.

Registration is in progress for Basketball and Badminton. League play begins Mon Oct 25th. At both Casa Loma & St.James campuses.

ICE HOCKEY: The league is into the 3rd week of play, the competition is very good. They're a few spots still available. Anyone wishing to participate can contact **Val Pozzan** or **Albert Da Silva** at Casa Loma gym office 944-4714.

TRI-CAMPUS FINALS:

There will be a showdown between **5B** and the **HAB-NOTS** for bragging rights. In Open Volleyball.

SPORTS TIP

CONGRATS: Goes out to **DEANNA OLIVER**, Fitness Co-ordinator for the Athletic Dept. For 4 consecutive years Deanna has represented **CANADA** at the Triathlon World Championships. This years race took place in Manchester England. Deanna was the 3rd Canadian to finish in her age group.

Warm Ups

The main goals of a warm up are to increase blood circulation and muscle temprature. An increase in the rate of blood flow will improve the delivery of oxygen and nutrients to the working muscles, thus improving muscle performance.

MASSAGE: are being offered through the Athletic Dept. Rates are \$40/hr and \$25 for each half hour. For more information contact Deanna at the St. James Gym 867-2177.

AEROBATHON INFO

More to follow in the December issue.

If you have any comments or suggestions for future issues, please call us 867-2099; or write / visit us at:
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